ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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HB 2009: violations of state law; schools Sponsor: Representative Kaiser, LD 15 House Engrossed

Overview

Includes a school district to violations of state law that a member of the Legislature may request the Attorney General (AG) to investigate.

<u>History</u>

Current law provides that the AG must investigate, at the request of one or more members of the Legislature, any ordinance, order, regulation or other official action adopted or taken by the governing body of a county, city or town, or any written policy, rule or regulation adopted by a department, an agency or other entity of the county, city or town that the member alleges violates state law or the Arizona Constitution (A.R.S. § 41-194.01).

The AG is directed to make a written report of the findings and conclusions as a result of the investigation and provide a copy to specified people. If the AG concludes that there is a violation, the AG must provide notice to the county, city or town by certified mail and indicate that they have 30 days to resolve the violation. If the violation is not resolved within the specified time period, the AG must notify the State Treasurer, who will withhold and redistribute state shared monies from the county, city or town (A.R.S. § 41-194.01).

Provisions

- 1. Repeals statute relating to violations of state law by counties, cities or towns. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Adds that a member of the Legislature may request the AG to investigate official actions taken by a school district or any written policy, rule or regulation adopted by an agency, department or other entity of the county, city or town that allegedly violate state law or the Arizona Constitution. (Sec. 2)
- 3. Specifies that the AG must notify the State Treasurer for a violation by a county, city or town. (Sec. 2)
- 4. Requires the AG to notify the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) for a violation by a school district and ADE to withhold 10% of the permissible monthly Classroom Site Fund (CSF) monies. (Sec. 2)
- 5. Maintains that a school district that has CSF monies withheld is not authorized to reduce the pay or benefits of an employee who is a teacher, instructional staff or classified staff during the same fiscal year the school district had monies withheld. (Sec. 2)
- 6. Makes technical and conforming changes. (Sec. 2)

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